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SUBJ: IMPASSE OVER LOCATION OF ASEAN SECRETARIAT

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1. I ASKED ROMULO FEBRUARY 3 WHETHER HE AND MALIK HAD MADE ANY PROGRESS ON RESOLVING IMPASSE OVER LOCATION ASEAN SECRETARIAT. ROMULO REPLIED THAT INDONESIANS WERE BEING VERY INSISTENT ON HAVING SITE IN JAKARTA AND SEEMED PREPARED MAKE MAJOR ISSUE OVER THIS MATTER, ESPECIALLY SINCE TANAKA RIOTS.

2. HE SAID PHILS WERE CURRENTLY CONSIDERING REVERSAL OF PREVIOUS POSITION; SECRETARIAT WOULD GO TO JAKARTA, SECRETARY GENERAL TO FILIPINO. I ASKED WHO FILIPINO CANDIDATE FOR SECRETARY GENERAL WOULD BE IF THIRO ARRANGEMENT ACCEPTED BY ASEAN MEMBERS. ROMULO SAID THEY WERE THINKING OF FAROLAN. I WINCED VISIBLY AND DROPPED THE SUBJECT.

3. COMMENT: IT IS HARD FOR ME TO JUDGE WHETHER ROMULO
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WAS DESCRIBING A SERIOUS PROPOSAL OR MERELY A TACTICAL

PLOY. I CAN THINK OF FEW WORSE DISASTERS FOR ASEAN
THAN HAVING FAROLAN AS ITS FIRST SECRETARY GENERAL.
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